



City of Pleasant Ridge
23925 Woodward Avenue
Pleasant Ridge, Michigan 48069

Pleasant Ridge Recreation Commission
Wednesday, July 31, 2019

Members of the Historical Commission and Residents: This shall serve as your official notification of the Regular Historical Commission Meeting to be held on Wednesday, July 31, 2019, at 7:00 p.m., at the **Pleasant Ridge Community Center, 4 Ridge Road, Michigan 48069**. The following items are on the Agenda for your consideration:

HISTORICAL COMMISSION MEETING – 7:00 P.M.

1. Meeting Called to Order.
2. Roll Call.
3. Minutes:
 - Regular Meeting Minutes held Wednesday, April 24, 2019.
4. PUBLIC COMMENTS – Items not on the Agenda.
5. Recreation Commission updates:
 - a. Community Pool Season
 - b. Proposed Recreation fee schedule
 - c. Centennial Celebration update/schedule
 - d. Upcoming events.
6. City Commission Liaison Report.
7. Other Business.
8. Adjournment.

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**Pleasant Ridge
Recreation Commission
Meeting Minutes**

April 24, 2019

James Leyerly called the meeting to order at 7:03 p.m.

Roll Call

Sufi (Jay) Ahmad, Mark Campbell, Richard Cook, Amy Drealan, Al Kaczkowski, James Leyerly, Catherine Russell, Wendy Schrag, Shawnie Stamper, Amanda Wahl, Esther Winer

Absent: Barbara Rozman-Stokes

Meeting Minutes for February 6, 2019

Al made a motion, which was seconded by Jay, to approve the minutes for the Recreation Commission Meeting held on February 6.

Yeas: 9 Nays: 0

Public Comments for Items not on the Agenda

None

Recreation Center Staffing

- Shawnie reported that Scott Pietrzak resigned as Recreation Director effective April 8, 2019. She will serve as interim Recreation Director, and Amy will assist with Recreation Department activities.
- The Recreation Department is currently conducting summer staff interviews. Onboarding of summer employees will begin May 13. Shawnie said that it's usually not difficult to fill these positions .
- Approximately 25 teens are expected to participate in the second year of the Leaders in Training (LIT) program.

Community Pool

- Shawnie reported that the Pool has been opened and appears to be in good shape. The local Girl Scout troop assisted with putting out the deck chairs. James suggested, and the rest of the Commission agreed, that a thank you note be sent to the troop.
- The pool was opened a little earlier this year as the Ferndale High School pool is undergoing renovations and is not available for the PR Piranhas practices.
- The Recreation Commission discussed the strategy for handling the pool entrance. Shawnie said that the staff will be trained on ensuring that all visitors present their card upon arrival. She will also assign the "off duty" life guard to the lobby to help at the front desk. When renewing their cards, residents will be advised of the check-in process as well as other important pool rules.

Community Outreach

- Shawnie said 190 people attended the April 13 Pancake Breakfast and approximately 20 children hunted for eggs.

- The Community Garden currently has 27 raised garden beds with the opportunity to sell three more. It was suggested that a farmer's market be held for growers who have a surplus.
- A volleyball tournament featuring teams from each street is planned for June 23. There will be a \$10 registration fee.
- A new petting zoo (Duck, Duck, Donkey) will be used for the October 20 Hayride. The Recreation Commission discussed other activities for the event, including the popular hand dips as well as some new ideas, e.g., fortune teller, fire safety house, etc.
- Despite its small size, Pleasant Ridge has a high rate of participation in parks and rec activities compared to other communities. The city filled five baseball teams, 60 kids registered for the swim team and 53 signed up for youth soccer. A lacrosse camp is planned for the fall. As of April 8, four field trips are already fully booked.

Centennial Celebration

- The event flower is the red geranium.
- Shawnie said the Historical Commission is working on archiving documents and a new "Then and Now" publication. The Commission will also sell commemorative Pewabic tiles.
- Adults Only Kick-off Party at the Community Center on June 7, 7 – 10 p.m. Members of the Recreation Commission are asked to help staff the Recreation Department table. Jamie suggested that pool information and photos be displayed at the table.
- Family Event at Gainsborough Park on September 7, 2 – 6 p.m. So far, a climbing tower and human soccer ball are planned.

Other Business - Recreation Commission Ideas and Implementation

The Recreation Commission discussed its advisory role for city property (parks and the pool) and activities. The Commission is welcome to form subcommittees with other residents to research ideas and make recommendations to the Commission and Recreation Department. Amanda said the Pleasant Ridge Foundation also looks for opportunities that are of maximum benefit for the community.

Al volunteered to form a group of residents to brainstorm and research ideas. Esther offered to help.

Ideas that came up during this meeting:

- Post ideas or inquiries on PR PR Facebook to get feedback
- Outing to Redford Theater (manager is a resident of PR) and Sweet Potato Sensations restaurant
- Bocce ball
- Chess tournament
- Pickleball or tennis tournament
- Ping pong tournament
- Square dancing
- 3 on 3 basketball tournament

Adjournment

Jay made a motion to adjourn at 8:13 p.m. Catherine seconded. Yeas: 9 Nays: 0



City of Pleasant Ridge

Shawnie M. Stamper, Recreation Director

From: Shawnie M. Stamper, Assistant Recreation Director
To: Pleasant Ridge Recreation Commission
CC: Amy Drealan, City Clerk
Date: July 25, 2019
Re: Room Rental Fee Increase

Effective January 1, 2020, the Room Rental rates for the Big Room at the Community Center will increase by up to \$70 for a four-hour rental. The last rate increase was in April 2015.

After surveying local communities, I found that Pleasant Ridge was in the middle to low range on room rental rates, however, we also have the most amenities. With the addition of the new playscape and patio in 2018, and the completed Big Room renovations in 2019, it was very easy to justify raising the rental fees.

The rates will go from \$190 to \$250 for a four-hour rental and from \$330 to \$400 with Beer & Wine permit for a four-hour rental. Please see the Room Rental fees from surrounding communities attached.

Thank you,
Shawnie M. Stamper

Room rental info 2019-Neighboring Community Survey

Community	Lowest Price	Highest Price	Hour Duration
Ferndale	\$ 235.00	\$ 305.00	4
Berkley	\$ 110.00	\$ 240.00	3
Huntington Woods	\$ 100.00	\$ 400.00	2
Southfield	\$ 120.00	\$ 160.00	1
Royal Oak	\$ 20.00	\$ 50.00	1
Pleasant Ridge	\$ 190.00	\$ 400.00	4

New rates effective January 1, 2020 in PR	\$ 250.00	\$ 400.00	4
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with beer & wine